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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q60353

Mitsunori NODONO, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/635,141

Group Art Unit: 1732

Confirmation No.: 5577

Examiner: Elizabeth M. Cole

Filed: August 9, 2000

For: MULTILAYER POLYOLEFIN FOAMED SHEET AND METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of July 23, 2002, the period of response to which has been extended by three months by a concurrently filed Petition for Extension of Time and attached fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 21 to 27 and 32 to 47 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following amended claims:

3. (Amended) A method for producing a multilayer polyolefin foamed sheet comprising at least one polyolefin foamed layer and at least one polyolefin non-foamed layer, wherein the method uses a producing apparatus comprising at least one first extruder for extruding a material for forming a polyolefin foamed layer wherein the first extruder is equipped with a foaming agent-supplying device for supplying a foaming agent to a cylinder, at least one second extruder